



Dental Assisting Courses

MSDA is proud to offer dental assisting certification courses such as Oral Radiography Techniques and Expanded Functions in General Chairside and Orthodontics.

Did You Know?

MSDA is one of the cheapest dental assistant certification schools.

MSDA offers more hours of classroom time than required by the state board, in an effort to further prepare students for their exams and office duties.

MSDA's passing rate is one of the highest in the state of Maryland.

Dental Assisting Certification Courses

Introduction to Basic Dental Assisting (8 Sessions)

Howard Community College Course

This is a noncredit course offered by Howard Community College's Division of Continuing Education & Workforce Development. For more information on the course, please contact Regina Roberts at 410-772-4944. For information on registering, please visit [Howard Community College Registration Homepage](#)

The students, upon successful completion of the course, will have job entry-level skills as a Dental Assistant and will receive a certificate of completion.

Prerequisites:

1. High School Graduate or Equivalent
2. People Oriented
3. Team Player
4. Have an Interest in Dentistry!

Dates: January 8 thru February 26 **Each Friday**

Time: 1:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Fees: \$825 Total (Includes Textbooks, Students are required to purchase the textbooks)

Instructor: Rose Morgan, CDA

Location: MSDA Classroom, Columbia, MD

COURSE OVERVIEW

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| Week 1 | History of Dentistry, Dental Anatomy, Dental Laws & Ethics, the Dental Team, Dental Terminology, and Preventive Dentistry |
| Week 2 | OSHA, Infection Control, Disinfection and Sterilization |

Need Basic Dental Assistant Training?

MSDA works in conjunction with Howard Community College to provide: Introduction to Basic Dental Assisting. Please see above for more information.

Week 3	Basic Instruments, Equipment and Office Familiarization, Operative Dentistry and Dental Materials, Dental Specialists
Week 4	Alginate Impressions, Identification of Impression Trays
Week 5	Clinical Assisting and Four Handed Dentistry
Week 6	Lab Session
Week 7	HIPAA Regulations, People and Dentistry, Interoffice Responsibilities
Week 8	Job Recruitment Skills and Final Exam

This course is also offered by: *Please register with the institution.*
Carroll Community College: Contact: Ellen Cornelius 410-386-8122
Chesapeake College: Contact: Karen Bailor 410-822-5400 ext 704

Oral Radiography Techniques (36 Hours)

Prepares dental assistants who are employed in a dental office to sit for the DANB Dental Radiation Health and Safety Certification exam. All clinical practice takes place at the student's place of employment.

Prerequisites:

1. High school graduate or equivalency
2. Letter from the employing dentist verifying employment and a commitment to your direct clinical supervision.
3. Must have a working knowledge of basic oral anatomy, basic infection control and basic dental terminology.

Dates:

1. November 9, 16, 23, 30, December 7, 14, 21, January 4, 11, 18, 25, February 1
2. December 15, 22, January 5, 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16, 23, March 2, 9

Time: 6:45 PM - 9:45 PM (Same time applies for all courses)

Fees: \$525 Members \$575 Non-members

Instructor: Ron Holderman, DDS

Location: MSDA Classroom, Columbia, MD

Certificates of Completion will be granted upon successful completion of course. There is a \$10.00 fee for replacement certificate.

Pathway I

- 18 years of age
- 3 months (300 hours) full time in clinical setting in dental office
- Basic dental assisting course
- Must be employed in dental office for direct clinical supervision.

Pathway II

- Basic dental assisting course prior to Board approved radiology course (18 years of age for Radiology), not to be taken concurrently.
- Must be employed in dental office for direct clinical supervision, unless classroom facility offers hands on Clinical.

Other Course Locations: *Please register with the institution.*

Carroll Community College

Contact: Ellen Cornelius 410-386-8122

Chesapeake College:

Saturday Classes Contact: Karen Bailor 410-822-5400 ext. 704

Southern Maryland Dental Society (College Park)

Contact: Janice Farber 301-345-4196

Expanded Functions (General Dentistry and/or Orthodontics as permitted by Maryland Law)

Successful completion of this course prepares the assistant for the Maryland Board Qualification Examination (QDA\QOA). All clinical practice takes place at the student's place of employment.

Prerequisites:

1. High School Graduate or Equivalent
2. Letter from the employing dentist verifying employment and commitment to your direct clinical supervision.
3. Experience in a dental office
4. Have a working knowledge of basic oral anatomy, dental terminology and basic infection control.
5. Radiation certification preferred, but not mandatory

Instructor: Ron Holderman, DDS

Location: MSDA Classroom, Columbia, MD

***Three options are available for this course. Dates and prices for each vary depending on selection. Please see listings below.

1. General Dentistry and Orthodontics
(16 Sessions, 48 hours)

Dates: November 19, 20, December 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18,
January 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29

*Thursdays and Fridays

Time: 6:45 PM - 9:45 PM

Fees: \$955 Members \$1005 Non Members

2. General Dentistry Only (Chairside)
(12 Sessions, 36 hours)

Dates: November 19, 20, December 3, 10, 11, 17, January 7,
8, 14, 21, 22, 28

*Thursdays and Fridays

Time: 6:45 PM - 9:45 PM

Fees: \$765 Members \$815 Non Members

3. Orthodontics Only (12 Sessions, 36 hours)

Dates: November 19, December 3, 4, 10, 17, 18, January 7, 14, 15, 21, 28, 29

*Thursdays and Fridays

Time: 6:45 PM - 9:45 PM

Fees: \$765 Members \$815 Non Members

Certificates of Completion granted at successful completion of course. There is a \$10.00 fee for replacement certificates.

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